

Life on the river

Spending a day cruising the Cape Fear River doesn't sound like a hard life. In fact, it's been a good life for UNCW alumnus Robert Parker, captain of the tour boat *J. N. Maffitt*.

"One could call me a modern day Mark Twain/Joseph Conrad," said Parker. "I grew up on a river and wanted to have some sort of job on the water."

From May till October, Parker works seven days a week conduct-



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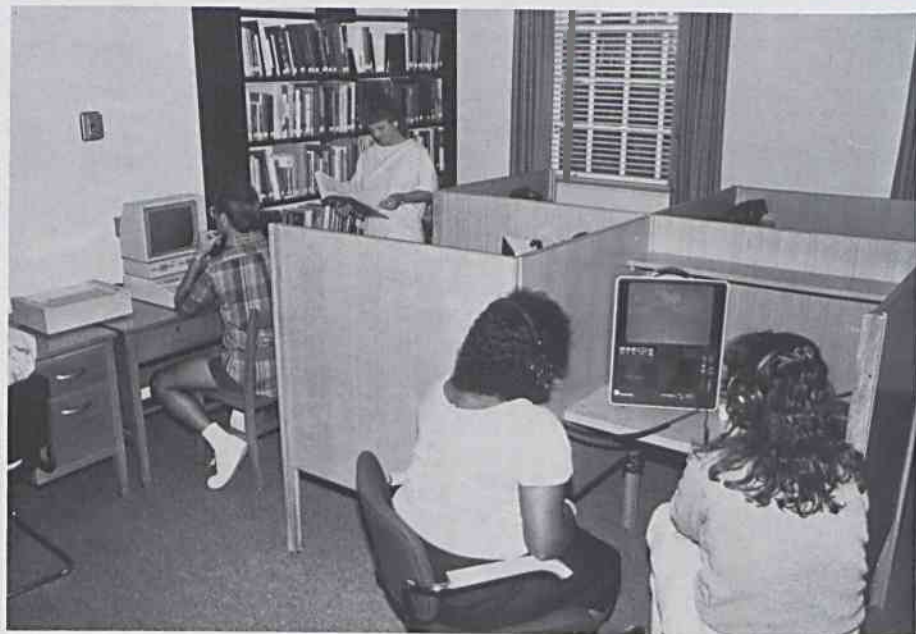
ing twice-daily historic harbor tours, along with providing a river taxi between the battleship *U.S.S. North Carolina* and riverfront park. He also conducts charter cruises for private groups.

"Welcome aboard," Parker calls out to passengers as they embark on a historic harbor tour. A history of the Wilmington waterfront is told as the *Maffitt* passes the downtown skyline, the battleship, under the Cape Fear Bridge and toward the State Ports. As the vessel passes visiting ships docked at the State Ports, sailors from foreign lands seem to enjoy the waves from friendly *Maffitt* passengers.

Parker became captain of the *Maffitt* in 1978 after receiving a captain's license from Cape Fear Technical Institute. He purchased the boat, a World War II navy vessel, in 1979 from Chandler's Wharf. The boat was named for a naval commander and distinguished Wilmington citizen who was a famous Civil War blockade runner.

Parker's free time in the winter is spent vacationing, handling maintenance on the *Maffitt*, and taking graduate courses at UNCW.

"I respect the power and the beauty of the river. No two days are exactly the same."



UNCW nursing students utilize learning resource equipment in the School of Nursing.

Four-year nursing program begins

The UNCW School of Nursing officially began its baccalaureate nursing program with the 1985 summer school session. The school's first bachelor of science degrees in nursing will be awarded in the spring of 1987.

With assistance from a \$200,000 gift from Babies Hospital, Inc., the four-year nursing program was formed to assist in meeting regional demands for baccalaureate-prepared nurses. A 1978 study affirmed the need and feasibility of phasing out the associate degree nursing program at UNCW and instituting a baccalaureate program. When funding was unavailable at the state level, the generous contribution from Babies Hospital, Inc. made the program possible.

In March 1983 Babies Hospital, Inc. agreed to provide \$200,000 over five years to underwrite the transition from an associate degree to a baccalaureate degree program. No further applications are being accepted for the associate degree program, and the last class admitted to this program will graduate in the spring of 1986.

The School of Nursing was established in July 1984 and is located in Hoggard Hall. Funds from Babies Hospital, Inc. assisted with support staff salaries, helped increase nursing library holdings, and provided hardware and software for the school's learning resource center and simulation (skills) laboratory.

"Funds from Babies Hospital, Inc. have been essential in the development of the nursing program at UNCW," said Dr. Marlene M. Rosenkoetter, dean of the school. "Nursing graduates will receive the knowledge and skills important to this community and region, thanks to the generous support from this foundation."

Babies Hospital opened in 1920 at Wrightsville Beach to provide seasonal care to children injured in boating and other accidents. In 1937 it became a year-round pediatric facility. In 1978 Babies Hospital closed, yet hospital assets continue to support children's health care charity programs.

As part of UNCW's baccalaureate degree program in nursing, an RN Access Program is available to registered nurses with an associate degree or diploma and who seek a four-year degree. The baccalaur-

ate program is designed to provide a foundation for graduate nursing education. School of Nursing faculty hold at least a master of science degree in nursing, with two faculty members holding doctorates.

The nursing program has been granted continued provisional approval by the North Carolina Board of Nursing, the maximum status achievable until the school graduates its first degree recipients.

"In addition to basic nursing education, graduates will have preparation in leadership, management, health and physical assessment, nursing theory and research, along with learning to provide health care through interaction with individuals, families, and the community," said Dean Rosenkoetter.

Following successful completion of freshman and sophomore core requirements, students apply for admission to the nursing program. Nursing students are placed in hospitals, nursing homes, day care centers, residential facilities, and outpatient clinics for varied clinical education, in addition to classroom instruction.

1985-86 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 23:	at Army
Nov. 26:	Coastal Carolina
Nov. 30:	University of Virginia
Dec. 1:	Tipoff Classic
Dec. 7:	Campbell University
Dec. 10:	Elon
Dec. 20-21:	University of Tennessee Volunteer Classic
Dec. 30:	Central Connecticut State
Jan. 4:	Navy
Jan. 6:	American
Jan. 9:	Radford
Jan. 11:	at William and Mary
Jan. 13:	at Richmond
Jan. 16:	Akron
Jan. 18:	East Carolina
Jan. 20:	at Radford
Jan. 22:	at Campbell
Jan. 25:	James Madison
Jan. 27:	George Mason
Feb. 1:	at Navy
Feb. 3:	at American
Feb. 8:	William and Mary
Feb. 10:	Richmond
Feb. 15:	at East Carolina
Feb. 20:	at George Mason
Feb. 22:	at James Madison
Mar. 1:	First-round satellite CAA tournament games
Mar. 3-4:	CAA Tournaments finals (Fairfax, VA)

Prep has been, punk is in

The button-down collar look is gone and so are the weejuns and khaki trousers. The laid-back, individual look of the 80's is in, and that look includes punk students.

The term "punk" has never had positive connotations, and the unusual appearance of punk students has on-lookers more confused than ever. With mohawk to close-cropped hairstyles ranging from one to three colors, along with a multitude of pierced earrings, the punk look does command a double take.

U.S. punk culture started with transplanted British styles. Although many think punk is a rebellious movement that promotes violence, punk students at UNCW say that is not the case.

"We promote peace and individualism," said Bryan Stahel, 19, a freshman from Raleigh.

Suzy Kirk, 19, a sophomore from Virginia Beach, explained that punks are the hippies of the 80's.

"Lots of people misjudge us. What people are on the inside is more important than outer appearances," said Suzy.

Cathy Butler, 18, a freshman from Raleigh, says that some of the ideology of the hippies of the 60's is present in punk culture. Popular punk jewelry is the peace sign and the cross.

Bryan, Suzy and Cathy have the punk look and feel accepted by UNCW students and teachers.

Punks are intelligent and nonrebellious, according to these three students who are interested in careers in psychology, marine biology and business.

"Although equated with hippies, we don't represent the dissent of

the 60's, nor are drugs important in the punk movement," said Cathy.

Punks are not into Top 40 music, but prefer a more hard-core sound from punk bands. They also like slam dancing, where dancers career off one another or off objects, such as music speakers or a platform.

"We're just one group of students with a cause," said Bryan.

UNCW's punk students are part of the diverse student population which includes the rock and rollers, the greeks, the surfers, non-traditional students, minorities, disabled students, and others.



(L-R) Suzy Kirk and Bryan Stahel represent the popular punk look present on many school campuses.